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College Housing Bill Wins Narrow Victory, Goes to Senate Floor

The Senate Committee on Banking and Currency has reported out a housing bill (S. 3399) which includes $400 million for College Housing Loans and retains the present Fulbright interest rate formula. This legislation is now on the Senate calendar, but no date has been set for debate. (See this Bulletin, Vol. VII, Nos. 10, 17 and 18.)

The proposed legislation also includes authority for $250 million in loans for buildings for general educational purposes, as originally provided in the Clark Bill (S. 3713).

The $400 million for College Housing is divided as follows:

(a) $300 million for dormitories
(b) $50 million for related facilities (dining and health)
(c) $50 million for student nurse-intern housing

The proposal for College Housing Loans to student cooperatives, as provided in S. 3855, and approved by the Senate Subcommittee on Housing, has been omitted from the bill that goes to the Senate.

The Council has been informed by members of the Senate that the vote in committee was very close, and that the final outcome of the legislation may well be decided by the extent to which representatives of the institutions in the various states make known to individual senators their building needs and their intention to apply for Federal loans under the programs as approved by the Senate Committee.

$10 Million Added To IES Funds by Senate

Following the recommendations of its Committee on Appropriations, the Senate approved last week an appropriation of $30.8 million for the Department of State's International Educational Exchange activities for fiscal year 1959.

In an unprecedented action, the Senate increased by $10 million the amount which was requested by the Department of State and approved by the House of Representatives for these activities. The amount approved by the Senate is also $10 million more than the $20.8 million which was appropriated for fiscal year 1958.

In reporting on its recommendation for the increase of $10 million, the Senate Committee on Appropriations made the following statement on the importance of the program:

> Our international educational exchange activities represent one of this Government's most effective foreign policy programs. It has now been extended to every part of the world, and as it is expanded in size, its benefits increase demonstrably. The students, educators, political leaders and others who have come to our country under this program return to their own lands with a vastly increased and more realistic knowledge and understanding of the United States and the American people.

A recommendation for $30.8 million for Educational Exchange was made to the Senate subcommittee which handled this legislation by President William E. Stevenson of Oberlin College representing the Council's Commission on Education and International Affairs and the Association of American Colleges. The central theme of his testimony is contained in the following sentences:

> The present world situation demands bold and vigorous action by the United States. On the one hand, it requires unprecedented expenditures for military preparedness to deter aggression and to maintain leadership in the conquest of outer space; on the other, it entails the necessity of our strengthening and maintaining the confidence and respect of all the peoples of the world through mutual understanding.

(For a nearly complete text, see this Bulletin. Vol. VII, No. 19.)

The appropriation bill will next be considered in conference by representatives of the House and Senate. The Senate has appointed the following conferees: Lyndon B. Johnson - D. Texas, Allen J. Ellender, Sr. - D Louisiana, Carl Hayden - D Arizona, J. William Fulbright - D Arkansas, Styles Bridges - R New Hampshire, Leverett Saltonstall - R Massachusetts, and Brourke B. Hickenlooper - R Iowa.

The conferees on behalf of the House follow: John J. Rooney - D New York, Prince H. Preston - D Georgia, Robert L. F. Sikes - D Florida, Don Magnuson - D Washington, Clarence Cannon - D Missouri, Frederic R. Coudert, Jr. - R New York, Frank T. Bow - R Ohio, Cliff Clevenger - R Ohio, John Taber - R New York.

Committee Disapproves 15% Limit on Research

The Senate Committee on Appropriations, accepting the report of its Subcommittee on Appropriations for Labor and Health, Education, and Welfare, has recommended to the Senate the removal of the rider placing a limitation on indirect costs for research contracts with colleges and universities. President Carroll V. Newsom, of New York University, testified before Senator Hill's subcommittee on May 13 as to the adverse effects of the 15% current limitation on payments to the colleges for overhead costs of this research. (See this Bulletin, Vol. VII, Nos. 9, 11, 16.)

The 15% ceiling, first proposed in a House rider to the appropriations bill in 1957, was not included in the bill voted by the Senate, but in conference committee the House position prevailed. This year the House again has included the ceiling in Section 207 of its appropriations bill, H.R. 11645.

If the Senate approves the recommendation of its Committee on Appropriations, as is expected, the issue will again go before a conference committee of the Senate and House.

Increase in Number of Foreign Students

The United States attracted more foreign students to its schools in 1957-58 than ever before in its history, the Institute of International Education reported in a survey released recently. This country continued to lead the free world in the education of foreign persons, with 43,391 students and scholars coming to study in 1801 American schools from 145 countries -- some as remote as Basutoland and the Fiji Islands.

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REPORT ON

QUESTIONNAIRE

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The Q or QR number should be given when requesting information. Actual questionnaires and reports are obtainable only from the original source. OSIR would appreciate receiving a copy of any letter of inquiry sent directly to the source of the questionnaire.

It is assumed that those who ask others to contribute their time and talent to the completion of questionnaires accept, in return, the obligation to make available to those interested a summary of the results.

1. QR 873 - A questionnaire sent to state universities by the University of Colorado for the purpose of reexamining its current policies on the admission of out-of-state students and the amount of tuition and fees charged these students.

2. QR 859 - A questionnaire sent to New York schools by a New York bank has resulted in a pamphlet entitled: How to send your child to college. Listed are almost one hundred accredited New York State educational institutions and their fees.

3. QR 879 - A 2-page questionnaire on admission practices and tuition charges at state universities and colleges. It has been sent to 308 institutions. The replies will be summarized and will become part of a comprehensive report from the State Chamber of Commerce of Illinois to Illinois institutions and to the Illinois Commission on Higher Education.

4. QR 903 - A one-page questionnaire on undergraduate charges in various state universities.

5. QR 65 - A questionnaire circulated by the Committee on Development of Engineering Faculties of the American Society for Engineering Education, 1958, has resulted in a report entitled: Engineering Enrollment and Faculty Requirements, 1957-1967. Copies are available at 25¢ each from the Secretary, American Society for Engineering Education, University of Illinois, Urbana, Illinois.

6. QR 854 - A questionnaire circulated to Kentucky colleges and universities by the Kentucky Council on Public Higher Education, New Capitol Annex, Frankfort, Kentucky, has resulted in a 44-page report on Kentucky College and University Enrollments, 1956 and 1957. It is a summary of college enrollments in Kentucky during the summer and fall sessions of 1956 and 1957.

7. QR 877 - A study of the attitudes and opinions of faculty members in various professional schools toward liberal education, and the part it should play in the total education of the professional student.

8. QR 876 - A letter type inquiry pertaining to retirement systems for non-instructional personnel at state universities.

9. QR 843-Q509 - A one-page rating scale on"college teacher morale."Twelve items are listed.

10. QR 843-Q510 - A one-page rating scale on" methods of identifying excellence in college teaching." 11 items are to be rated in order of importance.

11. QR 904 - A U. S. Office of Education questionnaire entitled : "Recent Practices Relating to Faculty in Institutions of Higher Education." The practices referred to may have been adopted to attract and retain faculty members, to improve utilization of existing faculty resources, or to accomplish other ends.

12. QR 875 - A worksheet on which to list courses available for meeting proposed academic requisites in dietetics. The study is by the "Committee to Study Broadening of ADA membership" of the American Dietetic Association, 620 North Michigan Avenue, Chicago 11, Illinois. The transmittal letter states that the results of an earlier study (QR 505) were mailed to the recipients of QR 875.

13. QR 874 - Questionnaire pertaining to "Information concerning diploma material and special designations on diplomas." Sent to 12 state universities and 12 private universities.

14. QR 872 - A questionnaire regarding "the importance and desirability of current trends in the evolution of school and college health programs."

15. QR 580 - The May 16, 1958 Bulletin of the American Association of Colleges for Teacher Education carries a report of the Association's survey on closed circuit television in the 411 AACTE member institutions (QR 580 mentioned in our January 13 Report on Questionnaires). The report is based on replies from approximately 88% of the membership. The Association is located at 11 Elm Street, Oneonta, New York.

16. QR 418 - A questionnaire circulated by the National Collegiate Athletic Association on intercollegiate, intramural and recreational activities along with facilities available for each in NCAA member institutions. The study is now in its final stages and should be ready in report form within the next two months.

17. QR 809 - A questionnaire requesting information on starting rates for new salesmen, sent to 25 colleges and universities in 11 western states. 18 college placement offices replied.

18. QR 849 - A questionnaire circulated to graduate students in nursing programs, Southern Regional Education Board Program in Graduate Education and Research in Nursing, in connection with research for a Master's thesis. The problem under consideration for the thesis is: "to determine some of the things that consciously motivate nursing students to seek graduate study and the objectives that students wish to attain from the program."

19. QR 855 - This 3-page questionnaire asks for opinions on the scope and organization of a proposed in-service program in instructional concepts and procedures for inexperienced instructors at the United States Air Force Academy.

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For information about any of the questionnaires listed below: (1) If the address is given, write directly to the source. A copy to OSIR would be appreciated. (2) If the address is not given, write to OSIR for information giving the appropriate Q or QR number.
Note: OSIR does not have copies of questionnaires or reports for distribution.

1. QR 808 - A 5-page questionnaire entitled "The Industrial Relations Executive," for the Second Annual Survey of Industrial Relations and Personnel Executives.

2. QR 648 - A questionnaire by the Calendar Study Committee of the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, requesting calendar information. A preliminary report is now available.

3. QR 543 - A questionnaire circulated by the National Education Association in December 1957 (see Report on Questionnaires dated January 13, 1958), has resulted in a report entitled: "Salaries Paid and Salary Practices in Universities, Colleges and Junior Colleges 1957-58" (Third Biennial Study). Copies may be obtained from the NEA Publications-Sales Section, 1201 Sixteenth St., N.W. (Research Report 1958-R1) at $1.00.

4. QR 69 - Q44 - A 2-page questionnaire sent to a selected group of graduates at the end of their first year of teaching, resulted in a "Summary of Study of Use of Instructional Materials by First-Year Elementary School Teachers." The material was used in a 1957 doctoral dissertation.

5. QR 69 - Q45 - A 4-page questionnaire on "Instructional Materials Services in Teacher Education," was sent to 240 teacher-education institutions. A summary is based on replies from 197 institutions.

6. QR 884 - A questionnaire concerned with instruction by means of independent study in modern languages. It was sent to representatives of modern language departments of all institutions whose catalogs indicate opportunities for independent study.

7. QR 817 - A 4-page questionnaire on "A Study of Pre-Service Core Teacher Education." The study is designed to explore the provisions colleges and universities have made to prepare teachers for core programs and how they are viewed by the staff involved.

8. QR 851 - A 16-page questionnaire "designed to gather information concerning laboratory experiences provided prior to student teaching." It pertains to those laboratory experiences provided for students preparing to teach in the secondary school and is not concerned with the elementary program.

9. QR 364 - A questionnaire circulated by the New York University Law Review concerning scholarships administered by state supported colleges and universities (see Report on Questionnaires dated November 25, 1957) has resulted in a summary entitled: "Constitutionality of Restricted Scholarships" published in the New York University Law Review, April 1958, Vol. 33, No. 4.

10. QR 281 - A questionnaire by the U. S. Office of Education has resulted in a report entitled: "Organized Occupational Curriculums - Enrollments and Graduates 1956." Copies may be obtained from the U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington 25, D.C. (Circular No. 512) at $1.50.

11. QR 776 - The American Library Association in collaboration with the Special Libraries Association has circulated a questionnaire on special classification schemes in academic and public libraries. The questionnaire was sent to 50 public libraries and 55 college and university libraries. Approximately 90% of the recipients have responded and a summary of results is now being prepared for the ALA and SLA. It is possible that the summary will be published in a professional journal.

12. QR 914 - A questionnaire sent to approximately two hundred libraries which have some type of service for the "aging population." It is hoped that the information received will provide the basis for a manual - a "how-to-do-it" of library service to an aging population."

13. QR 913 - A questionnaire on the problem of the extension of loan facilities. It is being addressed to privately supported four-year colleges and universities. The originating agency is Teachers Insurance and Annuity Association, 522 Fifth Avenue, New York, New York.

14. QR 910 - A 3-page questionnaire to superintendents of schools in cities with population of 200,000 and over, entitled: "Length and Organization of the Academic Senior High School Day."

15. QR 901 - A questionnaire sent to graduate deans of American universities and deans of medical schools associated with these universities to obtain information on the number of graduate students studying in the basic and applied natural sciences.

16. QR 898 - A 4-page questionnaire on the role of audio-visual media in the public relations of colleges of teacher education. The results will be used in a doctoral dissertation.

17. QR 888- A "survey to determine the content of a course in television designed primarily for students who plan to be secondary school teachers," sent to 47 universities and colleges offering courses dealing with class room utilization of radio and television.

18. QR 894 - A survey on the teaching of courses in engineering economy (sometimes called engineering economics), equipment replacement policy and related fields.

19. QR 647 - A questionnaire circulated in the fall of 1957 by the Office of Institutional Research and Service of the Florida State University, Tallahassee, Florida (see Report on Questionnaires dated February 27, 1958) has resulted in a report entitled: "High School-College Articulation in the United States."

It has been impossible to acknowledge each of the many questionnaire reports received from the various "Listening Posts" and from the many persons whose interest has led to reports to OSIR. For this cooperation, which has resulted in almost 1,000 questionnaire reports (QR's) OSIR is most grateful. Your continued interest and assistance will be appreciated.

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